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Commissioner of Patents and Trademarks
Alexandria, VA 22313

Dear Sir:

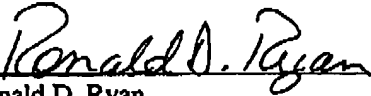
I, Ronald D. Ryan, hereby declare that:

1. I am the sole-inventor of the subject matter of the above patent application as therein described and claimed.
2. All acts described in this affidavit took place in the United States of America.
3. Prior to April 2000, I first thought of the invention claimed in the above-identified patent application. Prior to April 2000, I disclosed this invention to the in-house patent attorneys of Nortel Networks Limited ("Nortel"). A redacted copy of the invention disclosure form dated prior to April 2000 that was used to submit my inventive concepts is provided in Exhibit A.
4. On or about August 1, 2000, Nortel hired the law firm of Munsch, Hardt, Kopf, and Harr, P.C., to prepare the above-identified patent application. Then, along with the patent attorneys from Munsch, Hardt, Kopf, and Harr, P.C., we began to diligently prepare the above-identified patent application.
5. On October 26, 2000, the above-identified patent application was filed with the U.S. Patent and Trademark Office.
6. On or about March 30, 2004, the powers of attorney were revoked from Munsch, Hardt, Kopf, and Harr, P.C., and were appointed to Haynes and Boone, LLP.
7. At no time were my activities regarding disclosure of my invention in the above-identified patent application ever suspended. I diligently moved toward disclosing my invention by filing the above-identified patent application.

8 Based on the foregoing facts, I conceived the above-referenced invention prior to April 2000, and I was diligent in preparing the above-identified patent application for filing on October 26, 2000.

9 Furthermore, I declare that all statements made herein of my own knowledge are true and that all statements made on information and belief are believed to be true; and further that these statements were made with the knowledge that willful false statements and the like so made are punishable by fine or imprisonment, or both, under Section 1001 of Title 18 of the United States Code, and that such willful false statements may jeopardize the validity of the above-identified patent application or document or any patent issuing therefrom.

I declare under penalty of perjury under the laws of the United States of America that the foregoing is true and correct. Executed on May 19, 2005.



Ronald D. Ryan